GAY AND LESBIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS LETTER

MAY 1993

From the Board. . .

The Gay and Lesbian Community Centre elected a new 16 member board headed by co-chairs David Hicks and Candice Hood at the March 18 meeting. At April's board meeting the members chose their new jobs and everyone is happy (and busy). The new board of GLCCE will undergo a workshop on May 28-29 on goalsetting and working together.

Volunteers are needed to staff or organize the GLCCE sponsored "AEROBATHON", aerobics fundraiser on June 6th. The GLCCE newsletter needs volunteers for the newsletter committee and wants articles, event listings, press releases or illustrations or cartoons. Call Pat at 488-8379 or drop material at GLCCE.

GLCCE is sponsoring a Gay and Lesbian Film Festival during Pride '93 and preparations are well underway with the dates and venues booked. The festivals runs Monday June 21 at the the Zeidler Hall at 7 p.m. and moves to the Colin Lowe Theatre in Canada Place for the remaining June 22-23 dates with two shows nightly at 7 and 9 p.m.

GLCCE is co-sponsoring a dance with Womonspace during Pride '93 which features a silent art auction by the HIV Society. This dance is June 19 at Bonnie Doon Hall.

The Pink Triangle Youth group now has its own phone line and answering machine, funded by generous contributions.

Some members of the community have started "Centre Renters" fund to ensure the community centre's rent, power and phone are paid each month so the centre can use any other monies to improve the library or broaden programs.

The community Centre is now open Wednesday afternoons from 1 - 4 p.m. in addition to the regular evening hours of Monday through Friday, 7 - 10 p.m.

Thanks for your support!
David Hicks Candice Hood
GLCCE co-chairs

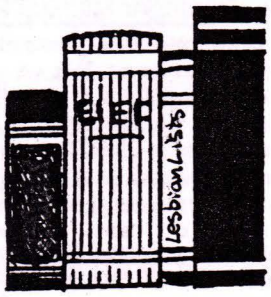
Centre Renters open doors

A group of Edmontonians wants to ensure that the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre's doors stay open, phone keeps ringing, and coffee keeps perking. The newly formed group Centre Renters is soliciting monthly donations from members of Edmonton's lesbian and gay community to ensure the basic financial needs of the Centre (rent, phone, power) are paid.

If the Centre Renters group is sucessful the Community Centre would be able to use other contributions to improve the library and implement other Centre programs, rather than scrambling to make the rent every month.

To become a Centre Renter make a financial commitment of $10 to $50 dollars a month, for a year, given in the form of post-dated checks made out to Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton. Checks can be mailed, left at the Centre for the treasurer or call G.L.C.C.E at 488-3234 to make other arangements.

Buy Me, Share Me, leave me at the library



Do you know you can find the Encyclopedia of Homosexuality at the Edmonton Public library? The library has an extensive collection of Gay and Lesbian fiction, non-fiction, Canadian authors and picture book's for kids like "Daddy's Roommate".

The library's program "By Me, Share Me" puts a nameplate (with your name) inside your favorite library book when you make a donation. The library must already have the book in stock. Every dollar donated to the library represents $40 returned to the community throughout the life of the book. The library has a responds to requests for books so if there is a Lesbian or Gay title you do not see, request it. If people request the same titles they are considered for purchase.

Takin' care of Business: LesBiGay Fair and GLOBAL

Edmonton's LESBIGAY Business Fair 93

The First annual LesBiGay Business Fair will be held Sunday, June 20, 1993 at the Inn on 7th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. as part of Gay and Lesbian Pride '93. The Fair is an opportunity for members of the lesbian, bisexual and gay community to see the products, services and resources available to them. Businesses, organizations and individual can promote their services and products to a significant portion of the population. Presenters will be speaking on a variety of topics of intrest to the community throughout the day.

Businesses are being charged a nominal display fee, and admission is $2 for the public, children get in free. Proceeds will go towards the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton general operating fund. For further information, contact Rick Dagg at 474-1094.

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GLOBAL NOTES:

GLOBAL: Gay and Lesbians Organizations Bridging across the Land was formed recently in New Orleans. This American non-profit groups hopes to facilitate create a sense of national community and provide a forum for the leaders of member groups to network. "...there is a need for our many diverse professional and social groups spread nationally to join together and realize the potential of our economic clout." said co-chair Craig Nadbourne. Call Craig Nadbourne (312) 235-4858, Maureen O'Leary (510) 652-1946 or write: GLOBAL P.O. Box 42406 Philadelphia, PA 19101-2406.

Phair Comments

By Councillor Michael Phair

In October 1992 I was elected to represent Ward 4 on Edmonton City Council and before I had time to find the paperclips at City Hall we were dealing with the 1993 budget. It was a real struggle to ensure quality city services with a minimal tax increase (0.3%). I received many letters and phone calls from concerned citizens about the contracting out of city services, proposed cuts to budget that would effect police and library services and the fear of increased utility bills. I was proud to receive a "Green Giant" award from environmental groups for my support of "green " budget items.

Official Greetings to Rocky Mountain Singers

One of my greatest joys as a Councillor has been to represent the Council and City by bringing official greetings to community events. My first official greeting to a lesbian and gay group were to the Vocal Minority/Rocky Mountain Singers concert in November which was sponsored by GLCCE.

In addition to ward duties each member of council is appointed to committees of Council which work at detailed review of issues. The committee of council I am on is the "Community Services Committee". We have dealt with everything from dogs off leash to preserving the CPR Building, to city grants for social services and arts and recreation groups.

See Dinosaur World Tour

I also serve on many boards for which the city has some responsibility including the Capital City Events Foundation. This Foundation is sponsoring the "Greatest Show Unearthed: DINOSAUR World Tour." It has been called one of the ten largest tourist attractions in the world for 1993. Already 100,000 tickets have been sold. The exhibit runs from May 14 to July 25th. Plan to attend or maybe volunteer some of your time to help make this another successful event for Edmonton.

Ward 4 Tour includes AIDS Network

March 4th was an important day to me, as Councillor Tooker Gomberg, Mayor Jan Reimer and I, with our assistants spent the day touring Ward 4. We started the morning at 7:15 with breakfast with the South Edmonton Business Association, then visited the Edmonton Avenue of Nations Business Association , the new Women's Centre at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, attended the opening press conference for Dinosaur World Tour. We had lunch at the Bissell Centre where we had a lively question and answer session with inner city community residents. After lunch we visited Victoria Composite High School and the Alberta Ballet School and toured the 95 Street business area with the McCauley beat officer from the Edmonton Police Services. As on of the founders of the AIDS Network, I was proud to visit the new office and introduce the members of the tour to the personnel at the Network, Feather of Hope and Living Positive Societies. The tour participants commented on the fact the Network isn't just a group of gay men, to their surprise, it is men and women, straight and gay, all working together to serve the community. The day continued over supper with the community leagues presidents and a public forum from 7 to 20 p.m. It was almost like election time again - but now I can point to things I have accomplished and not just issues I want to raise.

Thanks for support

I am grateful for the tremendous support I have received from community members since being elected. Thanks for calling and writing with your concerns and information tips. Please Continue!

Michael Phair
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Gay Bashing can take many forms. It can be anything from physical attacks to verbal harassment. This summer a public art project will be presented in Saskatoon about gay bashing and homophobia. The project will involve the stories of men and women who have endured physical and verbal attacks by homophobes and will endeavour to educate the public about the reality of gay bashing. For information about the project call 665-1224 and leave a message for Dik.

New Crew Members at GMOC

The Gay Men's Outreach Crew has recruited new men as facilitators for our workshops. The training was a four day event split over two weekends. Seven men attended the sessions where various excercise dealing with confidentiality, value judgements and gay history were held and issues brought up by the participants were adressed.

These new facilitators will host the workshops put together by GMOC and the AIDS Network. The "Eroticizing Safer Sex Workshop", "Sex, Dating and Intimacy", Rubberware Parties, "Being Gay in the 90's" and the Men's discussion group are open to any gay or bisexual man interested in attending. For more information call 988-3671 to book yourself and your friends into one of these great workshops.

The next "Eroticizing Safer Sex" workshop will be held June 19 at the beginning of Pride '93 celebration. Come join us for the opportunity to make safer sex a healthy and

Gay and Lesbian Fathers and Mothers

A support group for Gay and Lesbian Fathers and Mothers is forming in Edmonton. If interested call Gary at 426- 1202.

Photo exhibit on lesbian sexuality at Latitude 53

Opening on June 3, the Latitude 53 Society of Artists Gallery presents an exhibition "Drawing the Line: Lesbian sexual politics on the wall" by the Vancouver collective Kiss and Tell.

"Drawing the Line" is an interactive photography exhibit exploring issues of censorship and sexuality. 100 black and white photographs of lesbian sexuality form a series, ranging from least to most controversial. The viewer is asked to comment on the images and 'draw the line' (by writing directly on the wall) where they put their limits regarding sexual imagery.

An opening reception on June 3 at 8 p.m. features Susan Stewart and Persimmon Blackridge from 'Kiss and Tell' speaking on their work. The exhibit runs until July 16.

In conjunction with this exhibit, Latitude 53 is presenting a reception June 18 from 8-10 p.m. at the Gallery to kick off the Lesbian and Gay Pride '93. A photography workshop for womyn who wish to explore "Creating Lesbian Imagery in the Photographic Medium" will be held June 5th and 6th. A panel discussion on "Censorship and Sexual Imagery" is slated for June 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gallery.

Latitude 53 is located at 10137-104 Street, Edmonton and is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Roost Charity Saturday Bar-B-Q's

Every Saturday night the Roost features a charity barbecue on the patio from 11 p.m. until 2 a.m. Charity organizations can take advantage of this oportunity to make a little money, have a great time with members and let Edmonton know all about your organization.

It's easier than you think! Call Patrick after 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday at 426-3150.

Community Activities

G.L.C.C.E. is open Monday through Friday from 7-10 p.m. and on Wednesday afternoons 1-4 p.m. Drop-in for coffee, for peer counselling or to read the periodicals or books in the library facilities.

Saturday, May 8

3's Kompany a new electric musical revue by Kompany!, presenters of show stopping song and dance, at "That Place Upstairs" 10545 82 Ave. Doors at 7 p.m. Dinner (at Chianti Cafe) and show $22, show only $10.
Pink Triangle Youth meets every Saturday evening at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.
Womonspace Musical Coffee House at Riverdale Community Hall, 9231 100 Ave. at 8 p.m. $2 for Womonspace members, $4 for non-members. Call the Lesbian Infoline at 425-0511 for more information.

Sunday, May 9

Edmonton Frontrunners lesbigay running group meets every Sunday at 3 p.m. in front of Kinsmen Sports Centre. Call Brian at 488-9082.
Integrity: Gay and Lesbian Anglicans meeting453-3482
Edmonton Prime Timers: social organization for Gay and Bi men 40 and older meets the second Sunday of every month at the Unitarian Church, 12530 110 Ave at 2 p.m.
Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 -4 p.m.every Sunday. Non-singers who will help organize or staff events are welcome. Call Lorna at 454-3482 or David at 424-1561.
Metropolitan Community Church: Non-denominational group for lesbians and gays to worship every Sunday at 7:15 p.m. at the Unitarian Building 126 Street and 110 Ave.

Tuesday, May 11

The Shotgun Dancers meet every Tuesday at 9 p.m. at the Roost Rumpusroom, 10345-104 St.

Thursday, May 13

Gaywire Radio Show on CJSR FM 88.5/Cable 104.7 at 6 p.m. Mighty real radio.Call CJSR at 492-7528.
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Friday, May 14

Fine Feathered Friends Badminton at Oliver Elementary School, 10210-117 St. $1 admission fee. Call 423-6636 for further information.
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Saturday, May 15

Womonspace Dance at Bonnie Doon Community Centre, 9240 93 St., 8 p.m. Members $5, non-members $8.
Alberta Status of Women Annual General meeting with the theme "Making Connections: A Time for a Change" at AUPE Building 10451 170 St. at 9 a.m. Call 421-0306.
National Action Committee on the Status of Women Alberta regional meeting, 2 p.m. at AUPE Building 10451 170 St.
Pink Triangle Youth meets every Saturday evening at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.
Vision, the Unitarian Church of Edmonton's Interweave group (UULGBC group) Potluck and Dance at Unitarian Church, 12530 110 Ave. at 6 p.m. Admission is a food dish. A cash bar is available. You can bring your own music!
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Sunday, May 16

NAC President Judy Rebick will meet and speak to women from all over Alberta at AUPE Building 10451 170 St. at 11 a.m.
Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 -4 p.m.every Sunday. Non-singers who will help organize or staff events are welcome. Call Lorna at 454-3482 or David at 424-1561.
Edmonton Frontrunners lesbigay running group meets every Sunday at 3 p.m. in front of Kinsmen Sports Centre. Call Brian at 488-9082.

Tuesday May 18

PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) meeting, 7:30 p.m. at 9930-106 St. Basement
The Shotgun Dancers meet every Tuesday at 9 p.m. at the Roost Rumpusroom, 10345-104 St.

Thursday, May 20

Gaywire Radio Show on CJSR FM 88.5/Cable 104.7 at 6 p.m. Mighty real radio.Call CJSR at 492-7528.
Mr. Alberta Drummer contest entry form deadline.

Friday, May 21

"Faces of Life - Artists 4 AIDS" Upstairs at the Roost, 10345 104 St. at 7 p.m. proceeds go to the Ross Arsmtrong Fund.
Fine Feathered Friends Badminton at Oliver Elementary School, 10210-117 St. $1 admission fee. Call 423-6636.

Saturday, May 22

At the Roost, 10345 104 St "Die-Nasty Show" downstairs at 10:30 p.m. "Homosexual Invasion" upstairs at 10 p.m.
Pink Triangle Youth meets every Saturday evening at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.
GALACA Dance at Blackfalds Community Hall in Blackfalds on Womacs Road and Broadway Ave.

Sunday, May 23

Edmonton Frontrunners lesbigay running group meets every Sunday at 3 p.m. in front of Kinsmen Sports Centre.
Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 -4 p.m.every Sunday. Non-singers who will help organize or staff events are welcome. Call Lorna at 454-3482 or David at 424-1561.
HomOlympics Patio Party at the Roost, 10345 104 St. at 2 p.m., crazy games and Barbeque. At 8 p.m., the **LesBiGay Awards**, a funfilled variety and awards show.

Tuesday, May 25

The Shotgun Dancers meet every Tuesday at 9 p.m. at the Roost Rumpusroom, 10345-104 St.

Thursday, May 27

"Being Alive" a movement drama that explores living with HIV is presented by Talent Unlimited at "That Place Upstairs" 10545 82 Ave. t 8 p.m. Tickets are $8 or $20 with dinner at Sorrentino's restaurant.
Gaywire Radio Show on CJSR FM 88.5/Cable 104.7 at 6 p.m. Mighty real radio.Call CJSR at 492-7528.

Friday, May 28

Womyn's Nite upstairs at the Roost, 10345 104 St. 7-11 p.m., $3. This dance features Julie Anna and Neon and a one hour concert with Lorelei Loveridge.

"Being Alive" a movement drama that Explores living with HIV presented by Talent Unlimited at "That Place Upstairs" 10545 82 Ave. t 8 p.m. Tickets are $8 or $20 with dinner at Sorrentino's restaurant.

Saturday, May 29

"Being Alive" a movement drama that Explores living with HIV presented by Talent Unlimited at "That Place Upstairs" 10545 82 Ave. t 8 p.m. Tickets are $8 or $20 with dinner at Sorrentino's restaurant.

Pink Triangle Youth meets every Saturday evening at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.

Sunday, May 30

Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 -4 p.m.every Sunday. Non-singers who will help organize or staff events are welcome. Call Lorna at 454-3482 or David at 424-1561.

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Tuesday June 1

The **Shotgun Dancers** meet every Tuesday at 9 p.m. at the Roost Rumpusroom, 10345-104 St.

Thursday, June 3

"Drawing the Line; Lesbian sexual politics on the wall" exhibition opens at Latitude 53 Society of Artisits Gallery 10137 104 St., 8 - 10 p.m. Artists speak at 9 p.m.

G.M.O.C. Man to Man Video Night at G.L.C.C.E. at 7:30 p.m.

"Being Alive" a movement drama that Explores living with HIV presented by Talent Unlimited at "That Place Upstairs" 10545 82 Ave. t 8 p.m. Tickets are $8 or $20 with dinner at Sorrentino's restaurant.

Friday, June 4

Fine Feathered Friends Badminton at Oliver Elementary School, 10210-117 St. $1 admission fee. Call 423-6636 for further information.

"Being Alive" a movement drama that Explores living with HIV presented by Talent Unlimited at "That Place Upstairs" 10545 82 Ave. t 8 p.m. Tickets are $8 or $20 with dinner at Sorrentino's restaurant.

Saturday, June 5

Pink Triangle Youth meets every Saturday evening at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.

"Creating Lesbian Sexual Imagery in the Photographic Medium" workshop hosted by Latitude 53 today and Sunday. Call Melody at 423-5353 for information.

"Being Alive" a movement drama that Explores living with HIV presented by Talent Unlimited at "That Place Upstairs" 10545 82 Ave. t 8 p.m. Tickets are $8 or $20 with dinner at Sorrentino's restaurant.

Sunday, June 6

Edmonton Frontrunners lesbigay running group meets every Sunday at 3 p.m. in front of Kinsmen Sports Centre. Call Brian at 488-9082.

Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 -4 p.m.every Sunday. Non-singers who will help organize or staff events are welcome. Call Lorna at 454-3482 or David at 4424-1561.

Womonspace board meeting, 7:30 p.m. at 9930 106 St.

Deadline for information for the next issue is June 3rd

EDMONTON *Resources:*

AIDS NETWORK - AIDS Network of Edmonton Society. #201 11456 Jasper Avenue 488-5742.

BOOTS N' SADDLE BAR - 10242 106 St. 423-5014

BOYSTOWN CAFE GALLERY -10116 124 St. 488-6636.

DELWIN VRIEND DEFENSE FUND - contact GALA.

EXECUTIVE-EXPRESS - Videos, clothing and accesories, #5 11536 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton. T5K 0M8

GAY GAMES IV TEAM EDMONTON - write Team Edmonton care of Womonspace #30 9930 106 St. Edmonton T5K 1C7.

GALA - Gay and Lesbian Awareness civil rights committee working to obtain gay/lesbian civil rights under law. Call Barry 469-7515. Write Box 53, Edmonton T5J 2G9

GALOC - Gays and Lesbians on Campus at the U of A. Call 492-7528.

GAYWIRE - Radio program for gay and lesbians community Thursdays at 6-7 p.m. on CJSR FM 88.

GLCCE - Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton. Call (403) 488-3234, visit 11745 Jasper Avenue, or write Box 1852 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2P2.

GMOC - Gay Men's Outreach Crew, call Brent at the AIDS Network, 488-5742.

IMPERIAL SOVEREIGN COURT OF THE WILD ROSE - New Royalist Social Society of Northern Alberta entertainment society, socials, drag shows. Box 11394, Edmonton Alberta T5J 3K6.

LESBIGAY BUSINESS FAIR - call Rick at 474-1094.

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH - Non-denominational group for gays/lesbians to worship. 11250 110 Ave. 438-5168

NORTHERN CHAPS Edmonton's Leather/Levi Club - write#216 10342 107 St. Edmonton, T5J 1K2.

PRIDE '93 COMMITTEE - call Dave at 454-6914 or Pat at 488-8378 or write Pride '93 care of GLCCE.

PFLAG - Parents and friends of lesbians and gays. Call GLCCE or Lynn at 462-6954.

Pink Triangle Youth of Edmonton - meet Saturdays at GLCCE.

THE ROOST RUMPUS ROOM/THE UNDERGROUND - private gay and lesbian nightclub for members and guests. 10345 104 Street, Edmonton Alberta . (403) 426-3150.

VISION - Gay and lesbian positive group at the Unitarian Church. Call Steve at 488-5195 or 454-8073.

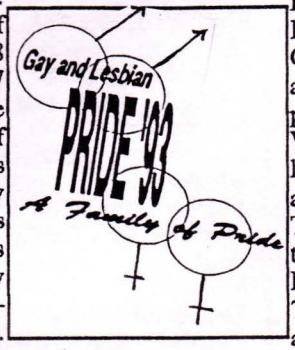
EDMONTON VOCAL MINORITY CHORAL GROUP - Call Lorna at 423-6987 or attend practice Sunday's, 2 p.m. at Alberta Theatre Arts Centre 10309 107 St. 22nd Floor.

WOMONSPACE - a social, recreational and educational society for lesbians in the Edmonton area. Call (403) 425-0511, or write or visit Lower Floor, 9930 106 Street Edmonton Alberta T5K 1C7

WOMON TO WOMON BOOKS - a lesbian and feminist mail order book service. write #106 12404 114 Avenue, Alberta T5M 3M5 or call (403) 454-8031.

Gay and Lesbian PRIDE '93: A Family of Pride
Celebrate June 18-27 in Edmonton

A Family of Pride is the theme for Edmonton's Gay and Lesbian Pride '93. These ten days of activities June 18 through June 27 celebrate the June 27th anniversary of the Stonewall riots in New York, a day recognized across North America as the beginning of gay and lesbian socio-political awakening.



Canadian lesbians and gays continue to challenge the courts, their governments and public misconceptions to be recognized as families (and people) and enjoy the same rights, benefits and freedom from discrimination as other Canadians. Terms like "family values" are used by some to exclude lesbians and gays. "A Family of Pride" restates that we are and have families, by birth and by choice.

▼ The Pride '93 committee has written Edmonton Mayor Jan Riemer asking her to proclaim Saturday, June 26 as Gay and Lesbian Pride Day in Edmonton.

▼ Pride '93 activities begin with Latitude 53 art gallery at 10137-104 St. exhibiting "Drawing the Line", a display of lesbian photography inviting written comment on the walls around the photos. Northern Chaps leather and levi organization, hosts a Meet N' Greet for Mr. Alberta Drummer contestants and spectators at Boots and Saddles, 10242 106 St.

▼ On Saturday evening attend the Lesbigay Dance at Bonnie Doon Community League at 9240 93 St. 8 p.m. hosted by Womonspace lesbian social group and G.L.C.C.E. Tickets are $12 for the Mr. Alberta Drummer Contest, 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Phoenix Theatre, 9638 101A Ave.

▼ Vision Unitarian church group is hosting the Sunday morning service at 12530 110 Ave. The location and time of the Mr. Northern Alberta Drummer Sunday Brunch will be announced at the contest, Saturday evening. Also on Sunday, June 20, the LesBiGay Business Fair is open 1 - 5 p.m. at the Inn on 7th, 10001 107 St.

▼ GLCCE sponsors a Gay and Lesbian Film festival Monday, June 21 through Wednesday, June 23. The festival opens at the Zeidler Hall, 9828 101A Ave. at 7 p.m. June 22 and 23 will feature two films each evening, 7 and 9 p.m., at Colin Lowe Theater, in the NFB at Canada Place, 9700 Jasper Ave.

▼ Thursday, June 24 the art show "Pride of Power" at Occhiali, 10416 82 Ave, focusing on local lesbian and gay artists.

▼ Saturday, June 26 is Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Pride Day. Gay and Lesbian Awareness civil rights group (GALA) is organizing a rally at McIntyre (Gazebo) Park in Old Strathcona and a parade down Whyte Avenue. A Pride Day picnic run by Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) is after the rally.

▼ Solistice Dance for women only is at Riverdale Community Hall Friday evening at 8:30 p.m. Sponsored by Edmonton Women's Music Collective admission is $7 on a sliding scale.

▼ Saturday evening attend "Voices of Pride" Pride Day Concert hosted by Vocal Minority at Convocation Hall, University of Alberta. This concert features local talent.

▼ Sunday at 10 a.m. you can walk, run, roll or cycle on Kinsmen Park River Valley Bike Path in the Pride-a-thon to raise money for the Lesbian and Gay Sport and Leisure fund and Pink Triangle Youth Group. This event is sponsored by Pink Triangle Youth Group and Frontrunners. Pride '93 ends with a Wrap-up Party at Boots and Saddles at 10242 106 St.

▼ Boystown Cafe Gallery 10116 124 St. and Cafe La Garre 8104 103 St. will display work by gay and lesbian artists during Pride '93.

▼ The Gay Men's Outreach Crew from the AIDS Network will have information booths at many events.

Edmonton lesbian wins National Award

Maureen Irwin will recieve the Canada Volunteer Award from Benoit Bouchard in Ottawa on June 16. This award from Health and Welfare Canada recognizes voluntary contributions to the health and social well-being of others. Irwin was nominated for the award by the Gay and Lesbian Awareness (GALA) rights organization for her work on public gay and lesbian issues and fighting discrimination. Previously she worked with the Canadian Brownies, the Urban Manor for homeless men, coached softball and many other volunteer activities. Councillor Michael Phair recommended Irwin for the award and was quoted in the Edmonton Journal saying, "I've always admired Maureen's courage to work on the difficult issues in society."

GLCCE responds to Comic Controversy

Lawrence

A letter from GLCCE appeared in the May 3rd edition of the Edmonton Journal. It read as follows:

We would like to congratulate the Edmonton Journal for making the decision to run the recent series of the comic strip, For Better or For Worse. This strip reflects reality for many young gay and lesbian Edmontonians, who identify strongly with the character of Lawrence, in a world that does not often reflect what they are going through.

The Journal is doing a great community service running this strip, which educates the public and could possibly help curb the high rate of suicide among gay and lesbian teenagers. Thank-you Lynn Johnston and The Edmonton Journal. Thank you.

Dave Hicks,
Candice Hood
GLCCE Co-chairs

CARTOON?
So this is the Drawing the LINE Photo exhibit!
Yah! Now we write directly on the wall our own limits regarding sexual imagery.
Hey! You wrote - "To re-enact this photo, call -and your phone number.
I love freedom of expression. ... Next photo!

Gay and lesbian groups of Alberta descend on Red Deer

Gay and Lesbian groups from Edmonton, Calgary and central Alberta met at Red Deer College on March 27 to discuss "Pride" and politics. The informal meeting was hosted by "Just People"and GALACA (Gays and Lesbians in Central Alberta).

Plans for Gay and Lesbian Pride 1993 were presented by members of Edmonton Pride '93 committee and Project Pride Calgary. Calgary is hosting many events June 20-27. The Calgary parade and rally is on June 20 nd doesn't conflict with Edmonton's June 26 parade and rally. For information on events in Calgary call the Lesbian Information Line (403) 265-9458 or Gay Line at (403) 234-5973. For information on Edmonton Pride 93 call Pat Warren at 488-8378 or David Hicks at 454-6914.

Project Pride Team Calgary outlined its efforts to organize and raise funds for the Gay Games IV and Cultural Festival in New York. To subsidize travel and accommodation costs for New York, they are hosting dances and holding an art auction and exhibition.

Team Calgary and Calgary Pride week are both run by Project Pride Calgary. Calgary also presented its Unity Pages, a directory of businesses in Calgary and the surrounding areas which welcome business from the gay and lesbian community. This beautifully produced directory is available in Edmonton at Gay and Lesbian Community Centre (GLCCE).

Team Edmonton Unity '94 is also fund raising to subsidize the team for the Gay Games IV. Team Edmonton may host a dance during Pride '93 and will work bingos for funds. Unity '94 t-shirts will be on sale during Pride '93 in an arrangement with Boystown Cafe.

What could be done in the short term to counteract the anti-gay Tory onslaught in Alberta before the next election was discussed. The idea that issues like gay and minority rights are being raised by the Klein government via the mouth-of-Diane Mirosh to detract voters from financial issues dangerous to Tory re-election was the consensus of the meeting.

An organization called "Albertans for Responsible Government", formed from this meeting, is preparing a fact sheet for distribution in rural areas to bring forward the real issues.

Members of Womonspace where present at the meeting along with members of Pride '93 and the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton. From Calgary members of Project Pride Calgary, Speak Sebastian radio and CLAGPAG (Calgary Lesbian and Gay Political Action Guild) were present.

GALACA and Real People members from central Alberta attended.

"Just People" live in Central Alberta

"Just People" is a new group in central Alberta who's gay, lesbian and gay/lesbian positive member advocate equality for all Albertans. Anne Clarke was elected chairperson at the groups second meeting on April 6 in Innisfail and says they have already begun political lobbying.

The group has been writing letters and making phone calls. "I spent 40 minutes on the phone with Ken Mclean (Diane Mirosh's advisor)", said Clarke. Clarke also appeared on CKRD-TV and in The Red Deer Advocate newspaper reacting to the recent actions of the Klein government. Clarke laughs, "We are making waves - tidal waves."

People joining "Just People" fill in a questionnaire. How "out" they can be, if they could speak at schools, or if the want to work behind the scenes are covered on this survey.

If you want to contact "Just People" write Just People, PO Box: 1604 Lacombe, Alberta, T0C 1S0 or call Anne at 341-6823.

GLCCE Board

A new Board of directors have been elected at G.L.C.C.E. Now the centre has two chairpersons, Dave Hicks and Candice Hood. Other positions:

Secretary - Paul D.
Social Services - Cheryl L.
Treasurer - John G.
Education - Rick M., Elaine D., Brent A.
Womyn's Issues - Candice H.
Men's Issues - Tim S.
Social Activities - Warren C., Mark B.
Membership Director - Grant C.
Youth Group - Brent A., Cheryl L.
Fundraising - Warren C., Pat W., Mark B., John I., Dave H.
Office Manager - Doug B.
Inter-agency- Anne E.
Member at Large - Tim S., John I.
Newsletter - Pat Warren 488-8378

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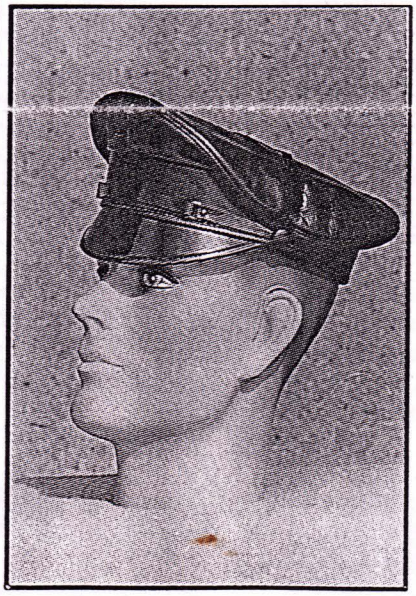

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